

BUSINESS CLOUDS

LET 1921 NOW

LOOKING UP BIG

Gradual Liquidation of Loans of Healthful Significance in Financial Conditions—Big Trade Expected.

Signs are not lacking that the worst of deflation is over and that the business world is looking for a slow betterment in conditions that will result in a big year for 1921. Recent big sales of hardwood lumber abroad, with expectations of lumbermen that the market will begin to take on life in earnest early next month, report of the big order from the Soviet government in Russia secured by W. E. Vanderlip, with its prospects of big trade in 1921 and reports of gradually liquidating loans on the part of the banks are among the tangible signs on which the note of optimism for the future is based.

Report of gradual liquidation of loans is of particularly healthy significance. Reduction in loans is made gradual because of the fact that new or different lines are constantly demanding funds released by other borrowers. There are some borrowers whose greatest need for funds comes at this season and these requirements loans are gradually being lowered.

John J. Hefflin, manager of the local branch of the Federal Reserve bank, stated Tuesday that the local branch had liquidated loans to the amount of about \$3,000,000 within the past few weeks. Other Memphis bankers report a gradual liquidation of loans with most borrowers showing no disposition to re-enter the money market. The statement from the state and national bankers is borne out by the reduced loans at the Federal Reserve bank.

The cotton situation still finds clouds upon its horizon, but the near future is not without its ray of sunshine. In the cotton market the trouble seems to be that too many offer to sell their cotton. It is a well known characteristic of the mills that they will not buy on a declining market. Recently buyers have been offered to sell, and from day to day these offers have been made at price reductions.

Expects Return To Greek Throne

LUCEINE, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—"The apparent defeat of the Venizelists, (adherents of Premier Venizelos), in the Greek delegation, means my early return to the throne at Athens," declared former King Constantine today. "I was not surprised at the result."

GREEN ROYALISTS BEAT VENIZELIS; CABINET RESIGNS

Defeated Premier Expected to Quit Country—Leader of Monarchists Declares Foreign Policy to Continue.

ATHENS, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—Premier Venizelos' cabinet resigned early today, and Admiral Koumoundouris, the regent of Greece, has sent for George Rallis to whom, it is expected, will be entrusted the formation of a new ministry.

The complete victory of the opposition seemed almost certain last night, although final results were still lacking. Even leaders of the elements opposed to Premier Venizelos in the elections held Sunday were surprised by the showing their candidates had made in Macedonia and Attica.

It is said M. Venizelos will leave the country, and he has advised Rallis to abide by the verdict of the people.

Demetrius Gounaris, leader of the opposition, has declared the foreign policy of Greece will not be changed. Latest returns from the election give the supporters of M. Venizelos 118 deputies, against 250 royalists. M. Venizelos and all but two of the ministers were beaten. None of the Venizelist candidates were elected in Greece and Macedonia, with the exception of Epirus and the Aegean Islands.

Two persons were killed by shots fired from houses facing the foreign office yesterday. It was declared that the shots were fired by a man responsible for the firing. Armed police rushed to the scene and a lively fusillade resulted. Further trouble was feared last night.

LABOR CONSULTS

ON ITS PROBLEMS

Former Food Chief Makes Trans-Continental Trip to Discuss "Whole Industrial and Employment Situation"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—Questions of industrial peace and related problems were discussed today at a conference between leaders of organized labor and Herbert Hoover, former federal food administration and member of President Wilson's second industrial conference.

Mr. Hoover, who came to the conference of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor at the request of President Comper, said he had made the transcontinental trip from San Francisco to discuss "the whole industrial and employment situation."

Mr. Hoover said he had no definite program to offer, but that he expected to "advise and discuss" with the labor officials on general conditions.

Differences appeared among members of the council as to the real purpose of Mr. Hoover's appearance. Prior to Mr. Hoover's arrival, William Green, secretary of the United Mine Workers, declared the council would not go to any person to discuss the subject of industrial peace. He said Mr. Hoover had come for a discussion of technical engineering questions, the nature of which he did not disclose.

Mr. Hoover had with him a sheet of data to which he expected to refer in the discussion. This data was an attempt to include the results of scientific investigation and research on questions of production.

While federation of labor officials were present above the subjects to "before the council today, it was indicated that Mr. Hoover would be asked to discuss means of reducing waste in production. This was developed to include discussion of the questions both from the labor and management viewpoint.

Labor blames management.

Labor leaders, while admitting that there are evils in the labor situation, are not above the blame, they are placed on the management. They contend that many difficulties and controversies between labor and management have had their origin in inefficient management and plant officials.

Mr. Hoover was expected to be of opinion on this subject, and whether he could offer a program which would result in an increase in production through correction of the alleged evils.

Opposition to laws restricting the coming year is being voiced at the meetings of the executive council. Officials of the federation attending the sessions, all of which are executive sessions, are in favor of a labor's reconstruction policy as follows:

Repeal of existing laws and opposition to proposed laws requiring compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes.

Opposition to laws restricting the right of workers to quit work.

Enactment of legislation placing restrictions upon immigration from all parts of the world with the most rigid control of that from Central and Southeastern Europe.

An intensive campaign of Americanization, to counteract the influence of political theories not in harmony with the principles underlying the government of the United States.

Allowance for Depreciation.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the federation, declared that organized labor would insist that the present law of living and working conditions be not reduced and that wages be maintained upon at least the level of 1914 with due allowance made for the decreased purchasing power of the dollar, which government figures he said, shows to be more than 100 per cent.

Mr. Morrison also interpreted the American Federation of Labor did not support any political party in the last election and consequently the result of the election did not mean that the government of organized labor had been routed.

Mathew Woll, a vice-president of the federation, declared that certain employers have interpreted the result of the election as a license to disregard the interests of labor, but added that he felt confident that the American people ultimately would be on the side of justice in any controversy.

JUDGE LINCOLN OSES FOR WITH JUDGE KELLEY



Noted judge of Denver juvenile court as he looked when snapped with Judge Kelley's work.

Truck Kills Woman; Negro Driver Held For Her Death

Attempting to board a street car at Madison avenue and Morrison street at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, Mrs. Laura G. Williams, 58, widow, Bunton, was struck and hurled by a truck driven by Walter Hawkins, negro, 1716 Kentucky street. She died a few minutes later. Hawkins was arrested and charged with manslaughter.

Witnesses, whose names were obtained by police, are J. E. Keck, 394 East avenue; A. J. Gravelle, of the Eastmanhouse; E. B. Rudling, 508 Dudley, and L. J. McVay, 347 Mulberry. These, according to police, saw Hawkins traveling 20 miles an hour over the crossing. Police say the truck was going 25 miles an hour.

Bystanders say Mrs. Williams had bailed the motorcar, and that the car was coming to a halt. Mrs. Williams was running toward the step when Hawkins' machine struck her. The motorcar struck Mrs. Williams and knocked her to the pavement.

LEAGUE COUNCIL COMES CRIPPER ON WORLD COURT

Divergence of Delegates' Views Make Agreement Unlikely at Present Meeting. Absence of U. S. Reason.

GENEVA, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—The divergence of views of the delegations attending the league of nations assembly meeting regarding the organization of an international court of justice and arbitration made it appear extremely unlikely today that the tribunal would be functioning among the great powers for two or three years.

This court was the one keystone upon which the proponents of the league of nations had counted for the perpetuation of world peace. Officials of the league and the secretariat admitted with reluctance that it seemed unlikely that any agreement would be reached during the present meeting. It is understood that their conclusions were founded, to some extent, upon the absence of the United States.

A majority of the delegates probably will vote through a plan for the organization of an international court after several days debate for the rejection of international arbitrators, but the plan must receive the approval of the various governments before it can be put into effect.

Want Amendments.

Some of the delegations came to Geneva with amendments which they intended to propose to the court. It is considered certain these governments will hold aloof if their amendments are rejected. In the hope of getting support for their contentions at future meetings, the whole scheme for the creation of the court would be delayed indefinitely.

If bickerings arise over trivial periods, and it seems likely they will, the present meeting may drag along until Christmas.

Delay is being caused over the translation of speeches and motions from English and French and vice versa. Some of the delegates who speak French and English have already engaged in disputes with the official interpreters claiming their remarks were misinterpreted.

It began to appear that the Japanese delegation will not press its resolution for racial equality as the result of the counsel of powerful friends. When Baron Hanyu, head of the Japanese delegation, was asked if he would bring the question before the assembly he assumed an expression of surprise and said:

"I do not know anything about the racial equality resolution. It is a question to have brought to Geneva."

"I do not think we will press the question at this time," said another member of the Japanese delegation, Alfred Costa, head of the Portuguese delegation.

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Moonshiner Takes Bootlegger's Place

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Hysteria Is Past

Naturally, much of this offering is necessary, as many obligations are now due, and some cotton must be sold. However, best informed men take the position that this distress cotton will soon be out of the way and that many more days there will be a material reduction in the number of bales being baled in cotton.

There is one phase of the situation upon which all observers of the cotton situation are agreed: The South is likely to make the most of the situation. The formation of trading companies and the federal international banking corporation is having a steady influence on the morale of the community.

Despite demoralized market conditions some firms report fairly good sales. Joseph Newburger, president of the Newburger Cotton company, stated Tuesday that his firm's daily sales for the season to date had averaged higher than for any season in the past. It should be stated, however, that whereas last year Mr. Newburger was not as anxious to sell every time he received an offer, this year he has been more ready to sell at a price than any other time.

Mr. Newburger is strongly of the opinion that offerings of cotton in the South are too large and will tend to depress the market. His firm has at the moment orders for over 14,000 bales of cotton which cannot be covered within a short time. Other firms report a fair volume of business for or deferred delivery. One broker reported sales for customers of some 1,000 bales for November and December delivery. This broker said he had sold 1,000 bales of cotton for Liverpool good middling, but was unable to land the order because, it was stated, the country was refusing to accept it on account of unfavorable weather conditions. The price offered was about in line with present market values, but sellers are higher price for this grade of cotton.

Reports are current of other sales, some of them in fairly large quantities, for January and later deliveries.

FORMER PREMIER ASKED TO SUCCEED VENIZELIS

LONDON, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—George Rallis, former Greek premier, and minister of finance, has been asked by the regent to form a cabinet succeeding that of Eleftherios Venizelos, which resigned this morning, said a Reuters dispatch from Athens.

The bourse at Athens has been closed because of the fear of a panic it is said.

EFFECTS OF ELECTION FEARED BY PARISIANS

PARIS, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—Reports that Premier Venizelos of Greece met defeat in the elections Sunday came as an unpleasant surprise to Paris. News here is that the Venizelists, who had been expected to form a government, were beaten.

The defeat of Premier Venizelos is expressed by "Perrinas," political editor of the Echo de Paris, that even a compromise placing Prince George, the eldest son of Constantine, on the throne, will not be accepted here. The Venizelists are feared the result of the election, if it brings about the fall of Venizelos, will still further complicate the already difficult situation in the Near East.

With the defeat of Premier Venizelos regarded by the French foreign office as certain, it is said the position of France and that of the Venizelists is very clearly against his return, and that both powers are determined to do everything possible to prevent Britain and France, it is indicated, will act together, but will await some indication of Constantine's intention to return. Should that be manifested they will then do whatever may be necessary.

It was declared today at the foreign office that France would take all possible steps to keep the ex-king out of the throne. The question of the return of former King Constantine George had not yet been raised, it was added.

The defeat of Premier Venizelos, a foreign office statement said, "may be termed a display of gross ingratitude by the Greeks for the man who brought the country to the allies' side and greatly increased its own power and influence and this view is shared by the allies. It was a great shock to the allies."

MONTHLY COTTON SEED REPORT SHOWS SLUMP

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—The census bureau's monthly cotton seed and cottonseed products report issued today shows 773,444 tons of seed were crushed in the period of Aug. 1 to Oct. 31, and 471,979 tons on hand in mills Oct. 15, compared with 783,766 and 605,559 last year.

Cottonseed products manufactured during the three months' period and on hand Oct. 15 were:

Cruce oil produced 257,737,344 pounds, compared with 297,707,189 and on hand 109,441,551 pounds, compared with 125,149,961.

Refined oil products 110,558,827 pounds, compared with 161,515,985, and on hand 170,017,309 pounds, compared with 108,434,267.

Coke and meat produced 343,837 tons, compared with 444,625, and on hand 155,913 tons, compared with 123,462.

Linters produced 92,627 bales, compared with 152,628, and on hand 183,533 bales, compared with 298,072.

222,073 of oil were 15,066,502 pounds, compared with 26,474,132 of cake and meal 4,487 tons, compared with 55,538, and of linters 4,842, runnings bales, compared with 9,689, and 123,462.

WIDOW'S FUND INCREASED \$10

Check for \$372.50 Sent to Mrs. Prescott.

The fund being collected for the widow of Will Prescott, chauffeur killed while watching a game of pool in a South Second street establishment, was increased \$10 by a donation of that amount by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Douglas, Bunton. This gift brought the total collected to date by The News Scimitar to \$382.75.

Check for \$372.75 was given Mrs. Prescott Monday, representing the sum on hand at that time. Mrs. Prescott has asked The News Scimitar to express her thanks to the friends who have remembered her in her trouble.

LO, POOR INDIAN TAKES WALL OF HIS GOVERNMENT

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—Baker, chief of the administration of the office of Indian affairs and charges that Indians have been subjected to various abuses, including unlawful seizure and leasing of property by agents of the government, were made by Thomas L. Sloan, of Washington, president of the society of American Indians, in his report to the opening session of the annual conference of the organization here today.

The report also charged that legislation in the interest of the natives in the last session of congress by the office of the commissioner of Indian affairs.

Land belonging to Crow Indians in Montana was being leased by the reservation superintendent to a farming corporation, the report charges, and that of the Fort Belknap Indians given to the use of a cattle company.

"On the Pine Ridge Sioux reservation in South Dakota," it continued, "a territory about 40 miles long and 20 miles wide was thrown open by the police and order of the commissioner or assistant commissioner of Indian affairs to the use of a cattle company."

All of this land was owned by Indians, the report explains, and much of it populated. Some Indians were "reduced to poverty and want" by the action, according to the report.

Another charge in the report is that ritual herds were allowed to overrun the property of individual members of the Blackfoot and Crow tribes, destroying crops, and that their stock was allowed to starve.

"Such Indians were thereby made destitute, and now are in great need," the report says.

Indians have been arrested and imprisoned by agency officials, the report alleges, despite the fact that there is no evidence of such action. It complains also that allotments have been held up.

BAKES REDUCE PRICE OF BREAD

COLUMBUS, Ga., Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—Bakers have reduced the price of loaves of bread to 10 cents, giving as their reason the reduction in flour prices.

FRENCH ADMIRAL REPLEAS REDS IF CITY LOOTED

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—The French admiral of the Black sea forces sent a wireless to the Bolsheviks after the evacuation of Sebastopol by Gen. Wrangel, threatening reprisals if the town were looted or the population molested.

A panic is reported at Yalta during the evacuation, and remarkable scenes were witnessed in the city, witnessed in Sebastopol and Feodosia.

Mystery Of Suit Sale Explained

CHICAGO, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—The mystery of the suit men's suits, said original to wholesale at \$45.70, which were placed on sale at the United National Clothiers' convention here last week at \$16.50, was explained by E. C. Hermestrom, auditor of the association, who said they came from a Chicago manufacturer, "who needed the money and wanted to unload."

Mr. Hermestrom declared he knew the suits cost the manufacturer \$14.50 for workmanship alone, exclusive of materials.

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IRISH BILL ADVANCED

LONDON, Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—The Irish home rule bill passed its first reading in the house of lords, Nov. 22 has been fixed for the second reading of the bill, when its rejection will be moved by Lord Dunraven.

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Robert Shosh, Philadelphia; Elmer Olsen, Chicago; Eric Johnson, Chicago; S. C. Florentine, Chicago; G. H. Laporte, Ind.; M. Schiz Laporte, Ind.; G. N. Bentley, Knoxville, Tenn.; Roy, C. L. and Carl P. Baum, of Knoxville, and H. G. Braum, of Bristol, Tenn., are out-of-town florists who arrived in Memphis Tuesday to look over the ground before the convention proper starts.

Officials of the convention will announce a free display of floral pieces on the sixth floor of the Chamber of Commerce, which will be open to the public on Wednesday and Thursday. Flowers will be given out to visitors. Thousands of dollars have been spent on this display, flowers coming from as far as Chicago being in it. The display will be arranged by W. C. Johnson, local florist.

W. H. Englehart, local florist, is heading the reception committee, which is meeting all trains and taking delegates over to the city.

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HOBBY AND FALL CALL ON HARDING IN BROWNSVILLE

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Nov. 16. (By Associated Press.)—Forced by wind and weather to abandon his visit to the state capital, President-elect Harding turned his attention here today to some of the work that has been piling up during his week of isolation.

He hoped to go out for a game of golf before the day was over, but first he cleared away some of his accumulated correspondence and did some work on the address book he is to deliver Thursday in New Orleans.

He also received his first cable since he came to Texas. Gov. W. P. Hobby, of this state, and Senator A. B. Fall, of New Mexico, being among those with whom he had engagements.

Gov. Hobby made the trip here from Austin to extend formally the appreciation of Texas over Mr. Harding's visit, and Senator Fall, who was chairman of the senate's committee on Mexican affairs, is understood to have discussed border conditions.

Senator and Mrs. Harding came to Brownsville from El Paso, Texas, yesterday and will leave tomorrow for New Orleans, where they will go aboard a steamer for Panama. They spent the night at the home of B. B. Cressler, a Brownsville lawyer, while most of their guests stayed at the U. S. private cars of the Harding train, side-tracked here since the early arrival last week.

WRANGLER ESCAPES WITH 20,000 TROOPS ON SEA

LONDON, Nov. 16. (By Associated Press.)—Gen. Baron Wrangel, head of the South Russian government, whose army has been virtually wiped out by the Bolsheviks, fled in a Russian cruiser filled with soldiers, says a Constantinople dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

The cruiser was accompanied by three transports carrying some 20,000 men, another carrying wounded men, the fleet sailing for an unknown port.

The Russian soviet forces had not reached Sebastopol before the city was evacuated. It is said that United States destroyers Humphries, Whipple and John Edwards, have arrived from Sebastopol with fugitives and wounded soldiers.

FRANCE STANDS FIRM AGAINST BOLSHEVIKI

PARIS, Nov. 16. (By Associated Press.)—The defeat of Gen. Wrangel, whose South Russian government had been recognized by France, does not mean that France is ready to consider recognition of the Bolsheviks. It is said that the French government is pessimistic regarding any further military movements in Russia at present. It was indicated, however, that the basis can be found for reorganization of the Russian government made by Gen. Wrangel from the Crimea.

The United States destroyer Humphries, Whipple and John Edwards arrived at Constantinople with refugees yesterday.

Gen. Wrangel himself, the foreign office advised, either had arrived at Constantinople on board the Russian cruiser Korniloff, or was on the way to that city.

Former Sunday School Teacher Of Wilson Dies

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 16. (By International News Service.)—Miss Eliza Ann Sloan, 82, who years ago had President Wilson as a pupil in her Sunday school class at the First Presbyterian church, is dead here.

Miss Sloan was one of the few persons who witnessed the inauguration of Gen. Woodrow Wilson as governor of South Carolina in reconstruction days, when the ceremonies were conducted on a sale of cotton. Her father was the first governor of South Carolina.

She was a member of the South Carolina house of representatives for 22 years, and before the days of stenographers she made manuscript copies of the house journal.